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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Appln. No.: 09/725,080

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Title: LOYALTY LINK METHOD AND
APPARATUS FOR INTEGRATING CUSTOMER
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the enclosed document.

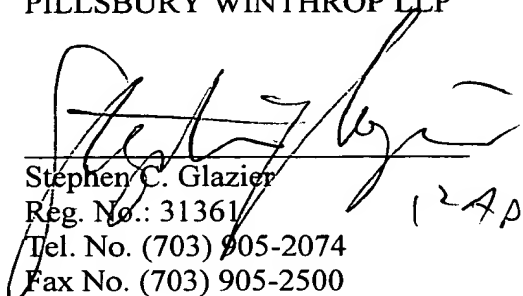
Contingent Request Under Rule 97(c): Should a first action on the merits have been issued on the same day or before this Information Disclosure Statement is filed, please accept this Information Disclosure Statement under Rule 97(c) and charge the requisite Rule 17(p) fee to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, under the above Atty Dkt. No., and proceed to consider this Information Disclosure Statement.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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